

**Proceedings Postponed:**

Thompson (MS) amendment (No. 43 printed in part B of H. Rept. 114–29) that seeks to require that The Student Success Act shall not go into effect until the Secretary of Education determines that its enactment will not reduce the college and career readiness of racial or ethnic minority students, students with disabilities, English learners, and low-income students and provides written notification to Congress on such determination; and **Pages H1393–94**

Scott (VA) amendment (No. 44 printed in part B of H. Rept. 114–29) that seeks to repeal H.R. 5 and replace the bill text with a substitute amendment that provides robust funding levels, replaces the mandates of No Child Left Behind, and maintains civil rights and equity protections that ensure all students graduate from high school college- and career-ready. **Pages H1394–H1483**

H. Res. 125, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5) was agreed to on February 26th.

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:51 p.m. and reconvened at 2:16 p.m. **Page H1483**

**Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2015:** The House disagreed to the Senate amendment and requested a conference on H.R. 240, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, by a yea-and-nay vote of 228 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 102. **Pages H1483–84**

Failed to agree to the Roybal-Allard motion to instruct conferees by a yea-and-nay vote of 201 yeas to 218 nays, Roll No. 105. **Pages H1494–95**

**Investigative Subcommittees of the Committee on Ethics—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to be available to serve on investigative subcommittees of the Committee on Ethics for the 114th Congress: Representatives Blackburn, Collins (GA), Comstock, Forbes, Hultgren, Katko, Latta, Olson, Ratcliffe, and Roby. **Page H1495**

**Investigative Subcommittees of the Committee on Ethics—Minority Leader Appointment:** The Chair announced the Minority Leaders appointment of the following Members of the House to be available to serve on investigative subcommittees of the Committee on Ethics for the 114th Congress: Representatives Carney, Connolly, Hahn, Higgins, Jeffries, Keating, Perlmutter, Sewell (AL), Speier, and Titus. **Page H1495**

**Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress—Reappointment:** The Chair announced the Minority Leader's reappointment of the following individual on the part of the House to the Advisory

Committee on the Records of Congress: Mr. John A. Lawrence of Washington, DC. **Page H1495**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 5:27 p.m. and reconvened at 9:30 p.m. **Page H1495**

**Suspension:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

***Protecting Volunteer Firefighters and Emergency Responders Act:*** Concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 33, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to ensure that emergency services volunteers are not taken into account as employees under the shared responsibility requirements contained in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, by a 2/3 recorded vote of 357 yeas to 60 nays, Roll No. 106. **Pages H1495–97**

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12 noon on Monday, March 2nd for Morning Hour debate. **Page H1497**

**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today and messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H1375, H1393, H1483, and H1495.

**Senate Referral:** S. 527 was held at the desk.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Five yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1385–86, H1386, H1484, H1484–85, H1493–94, H1494–95, and H1496–97. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 10:04 p.m.

## ***Committee Meetings***

### **APPROPRIATIONS—UNITED STATES AIR FORCE**

***Committee on Appropriations:*** Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on United States Air Force budget. Testimony was heard from Deborah Lee James, Secretary, United States Air Force; and General Mark A. Welsh III, Chief of Staff, United States Air Force.

### **APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, UNDER SECRETARY FOR NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE ENVIRONMENT, NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE**

***Committee on Appropriations:*** Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on

Department of Agriculture, Under Secretary for Natural Resources and the Environment, Natural Resources Conservation Service budget. Testimony was heard from Jason Weller, Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Department of Agriculture; and Michael Young, Budget Officer, Department of Agriculture.

#### **APPROPRIATIONS—BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AND BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION; BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION OVERSIGHT**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Indian Education budgets and a hearing on Bureau of Indian Education oversight. Testimony was heard from the following Department of the Interior officials: Kevin Washburn, Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs; Charles “Monty” Roessel, Director, Bureau of Indian Education; and Michael Black, Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs; and Melissa Emrey-Arras, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, Government Accountability Office.

#### **THE NEEDS OF DRINKING WATER SYSTEMS IN RURAL AND SMALLER COMMUNITIES**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy held a hearing entitled “The Needs of Drinking Water Systems in Rural and Smaller Communities”. Testimony was heard from J. Alfredo Gomez, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

#### **MISCELLEANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 400, the “Trafficking Prevention in Foreign Affairs Contracting Act”; H.R. 757, the “North Korea Sanctions Enforcement Act of 2015”; and H. Res. 53, condemning the cowardly attack on innocent men, women, and children in the north-eastern Nigerian town of Baga. The following bill was ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 400. The following legislation was ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 757 and H. Res. 53.

#### **THE STATE OF CLASS ACTIONS TEN YEARS AFTER THE ENACTMENT OF THE CLASS ACTION FAIRNESS ACT**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice held a hearing entitled “The State of Class Actions Ten Years After the Enactment of the Class Action Fairness Act”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **ENSURING GOVERNMENT TRANSPARENCY THROUGH FOIA REFORM**

*Committee on Oversight And Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Government Operations held a hearing entitled “Ensuring Government Transparency Through FOIA Reform”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **THE COMMERCIAL CREW PROGRAM: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES**

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Space held a hearing entitled “The Commercial Crew Program: Challenges and Opportunities”. Testimony was heard from Bill Gerstenmaier, Associate Administrator, Human Exploration and Operations Mission Directorate, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Vice Admiral Joseph Dyer, USN (Ret.), Chairman, Aerospace Safety Advisory Panel, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; and public witnesses.

### *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

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#### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2015**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

##### **Senate**

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

##### **House**

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, hearing on Consumer Product Safety Commission budget, 3 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law, hearing on H.R. 348, the “Responsibly and Professionally Invigorating Development Act of 2015”; H.R. 712, the “Sunshine for Regulatory Decrees and Settlements Act of 2015”; and H.R. 1155, the “Searching for and Cutting Regulations that are Unnecessarily Burdensome Act of 2015”, 4 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules,* Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 749, the “Passenger Rail Reform and Investment Act of 2015”, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “Ongoing Intelligence Activities”, 5 p.m., HVC-304. This hearing will be closed.